



St Patrick's
Pontifical University

Baccalaureate in Philosophy (BPhil)



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This programme aims to:

- ✗ Foster knowledge and understanding of key areas of Philosophy and the Christian intellectual tradition
- ✗ Develop the capacity to make informed, evaluative judgements about the arguments, approaches and methods within the different areas of the philosophical and Christian intellectual traditions
- ✗ Foster the skills of clear logical thought and presentation, careful analysis of ideas and imaginative deployment of argument
- ✗ To develop students' ability to fashion thoughts and concepts with precision, rigour and clarity to enable students to assess the source and nature of values
- ✗ Develop appreciation of some fruitful interconnections between Philosophy and other areas of intellectual thought
- ✗ Develop intellectual curiosity and the capacity for independent thought and critical reflection.

Careers

Philosophy graduates have a number of transferable skills, these include:

- ✗ **Self-motivation and the capacity for independent study and thought**
- ✗ **The ability to prioritise work and meet deadlines**
- ✗ **Flexibility and creativity**
- ✗ **Critical thinking**
- ✗ **The capacity to identify, absorb and sift complex information**
- ✗ **Teamworking**
- ✗ **Openness to new ideas**

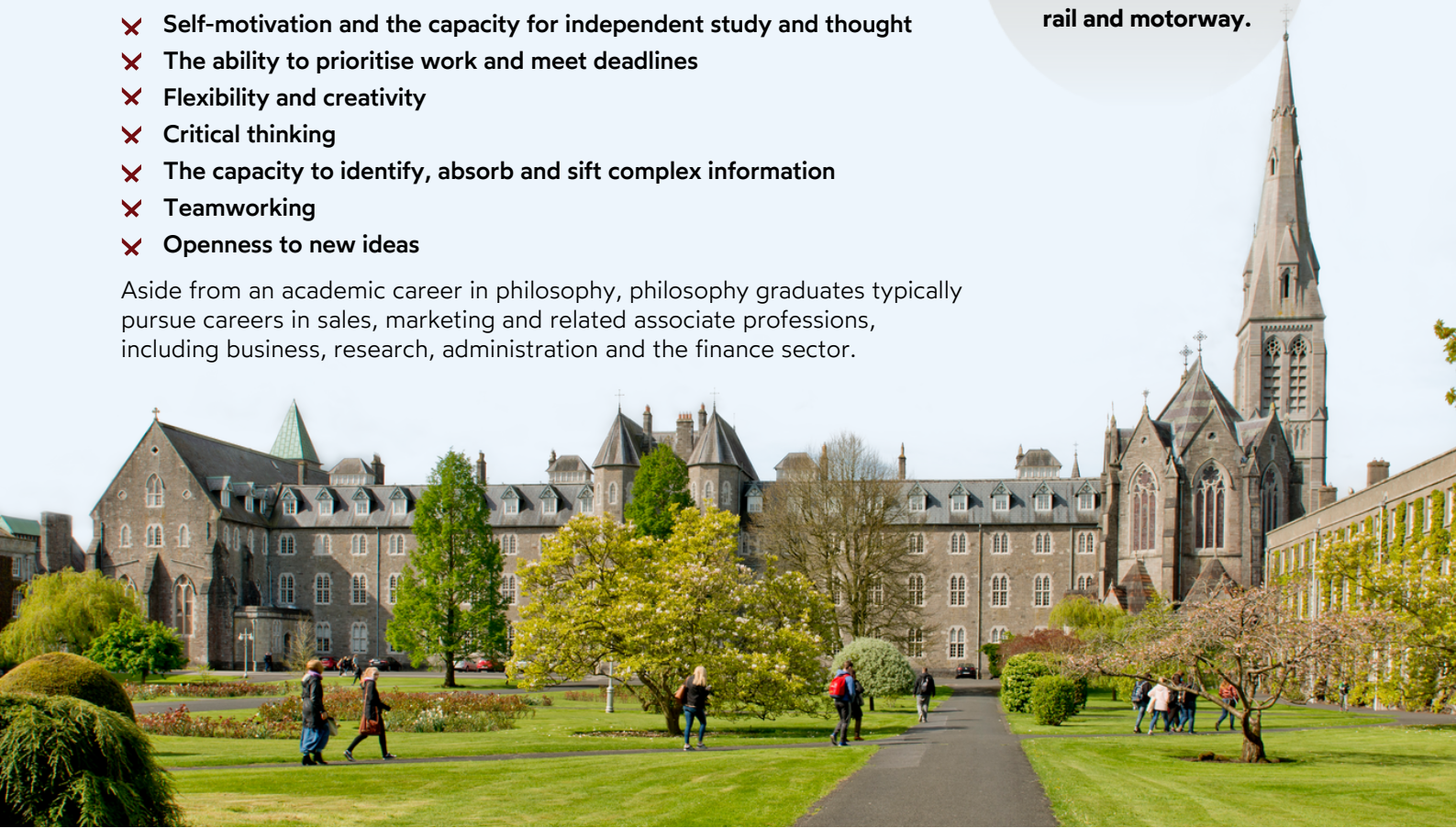
Aside from an academic career in philosophy, philosophy graduates typically pursue careers in sales, marketing and related associate professions, including business, research, administration and the finance sector.

Why Study at St Patrick's Pontifical University?

Students at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth have the best of both worlds. On one hand, they have the attention of a small learning College and, on the other, they have all the resources and excitement of a large university.

Studying at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth, you will be encouraged to engage critically, so that you can form your own ideas and conclusions. You will become more skilled at expressing yourself and gain the confidence to communicate powerfully and eloquently. Our staff are friendly and approachable and give personal care and attention to each student. A community of learning that draws on a long and distinguished tradition of scholarship and pastoral practice.

**A beautiful, historic
campus in Ireland's only
university town, located
just 25km from Dublin city
centre, served by bus,
rail and motorway.**





Qualification - BPhil

The Baccalaureate in Philosophy (BPhil) is a full-time Level 8 award. The programme provides an opportunity to study Philosophy in the Christian and Western intellectual traditions.



Commencement Date

September

Application Deadline

Visit sppu.ie/courses for application deadlines.



Entry requirements

Admission to this course is through CAO system (MU004).

For entry to the course a pass grade is required in five subjects of the Leaving Certificate or its equivalent.

Full entry criteria can be found on our website.



Programme Delivery

The programme comes in two modes:

- (i) As a **three year full-time degree** - 180 credits.
- (ii) As a **one year top up** on philosophical study already undertaken at the undergraduate level. In particular the following pathways apply: Completion of the Higher Diploma in Philosophy or Diploma in Philosophy; Completion of a primary award in Philosophy alone or as a cognate subject (minimum of 50%)



Fees

MU004 is currently not part of the free fees initiative. For further information please contact fees@spcm.ie or visit sppu.ie/fees-and-funding.



How to apply or more information

Applications are accepted through CAO system at cao.ie (MU004).

Please contact our Admissions team with any queries

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